

John and Mary Jane lived in Vernal several years of their early married life, where he worked with his father and brothers in a saw and shingle mill. Later they returned to Daniels. He worked with his father and father-in-law, William Bethers, surveying and helping build the Strawberry ditch to bring irrigation water to the Daniel farms. He also worked in the timber a great deal, cutting and hauling logs down the canyon. He always owned a good team of horses, taking great pride in having them well groomed and in good shape. He did much team work.

Both he and his wife worked in the Church, he as a counselor in Sunday School and in the YMMIA, and she as a counselor in the YWMIA, a teacher in Sunday School, Primary and Relief Society. She held a perfect record of 16 years of visiting teaching, walking several miles in visiting families in her district. John also drove groups of students to school in Heber by team and wagon or sleigh, according to weather.

After three years of illness, John died at his home in Daniel, November 25, 1924, and Mary Jane passed away November 6, 1950, at Daniel, after almost three years of illness.

They were the parents of 10 children: Phebe Ann, Mary Jane, Sarah Elizabeth, Hyrum, John Henry, William Wallace, Warren, Ralph, Inez and Taylor Martin.

## WILLIAM AND JANETT BETHERS OAKS

ond child of William S. and Phebe H. McMillan Bethers.

Janett Bethers was a daughter of William S. and Phebe McMillan Bethers. She, like all other children, helped with farm and house work. All children at that time also walked to Center Creek to school and Church activities.

As she grew older she bunched shingles at the McGuire shingle mill. When the Daniel Branch was organized, in 1889, and Bishop P. H. McGuire taught school, Janett substituted for him when he couldn't be there.

She was married to William Oaks, nephew of John H. Oaks, at her parents' home, by Bishop McGuire. They spent a short while living in a new barn John Oaks had built for his horses, taking their meals with John and his wife, Mary Jane, Janett's sister, before going to Vernal to make their home.

She became the mother of 16 children, a very outstanding family of doctors, nurses, educators, etc., all of them being well educated. All were born at Vernal. Because it was such a long distance to Vernal and the means of travel slow, Janett never visited her home many times.

Their children follow: Dr. Lewis Weston Oaks, Ernest Mahlon, Martin Ervyn, William Basil, Stanley Glen, Nettie Hermonine, Dr. Lloyd Edress, Nellie May, Dr. Victor LeRoy, Jessie Abigail, Phebe Hilda, Wilbur Taylor, Charles Ellsworth, Lynne Eugene, Eunice Verda and Iris Velva.